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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FY 2005;
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (PTO/SB/30);
3. One (1) return postcard; and
4. PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$910.00 to cover:
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